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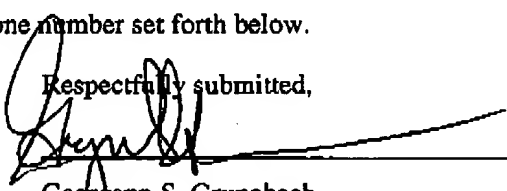
REMARKS

In the Office action dated April 4, 2006, claims 1-16, 18-19, 21-22, and 24-26 were rejected as unpatentable over one or more of Herz et al. (US 6,088,722), Lemmons (US 6,481,011), and Lazarus et al. (US 5,652,613). Claims 15, 18, and 21 were objected to because of informalities. Claims 17, 20, 23, and 26 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112 as being indefinite. Claims 17, 20, 23, and 26 were indicated to be allowable if rewritten to overcome the 35 U.S.C. § 112 rejections and rewritten in independent form. In view of the forgoing amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

In response to the final Office action, claims 1, 7, 9, and 13 have been amended to include elements from claims 15-17, 18-20, 21-23, and 24-26, respectively. The phrase "determining an at least three dimensional profile surface" has been replaced with the phrase "creating an at least three-dimensional profile surface." The phrase "the remaining dimension" has been amended to recite "a remaining dimension." Claims 15-26 have been cancelled without prejudice.

Therefore, as discussed with the examiner during the examiner interview and indicated in the final Office action, all pending claims are now in condition for allowance. If there is any matter that the examiner would like to discuss, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned representative at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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